FISCAL NOTE

HB 2822 - SB 2898

February 8, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits physicians and hospitals from making a separate charge for providing an anatomical impairment rating when medical records are requested in workers' compensation cases.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant

Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

According to the Department of Treasury, physicians and hospitals have not charged the State a separate charge for providing impairment rating when medical records have been requested. While it has happened on occasion, the annual cost is insignificant. (Less than 5 instances per year/\$200 per instance).

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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